



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re the Application of:**

Daniel P. Little *et al.*

**Appln. No.:** 08/786,988

**Filed:** January 23, 1997

**For:** SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR  
PREPARING AND ANALYZING  
LOW VOLUME ANALYTE ARRAY  
ELEMENTS

**Examiner:** Yelena G. Gakh

**Art Unit:** 1743

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

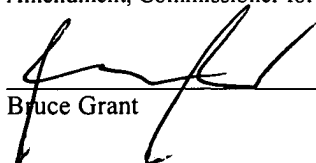
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Dear Sir:

This is filed in response to an Office action dated April 14, 2005, setting a shortened statutory time for response expiring on July 14, 2005. This submission is timely filed on October 14, 2005 with a three-month extension of time Applicants hereby request and for which payment is enclosed. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following remarks are offered in response. Reconsideration respectfully is requested, as well as consideration of the attached supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Declaration.

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